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Dear Dr. Heumann:

I was pleased to receive your letter of the 20th, and its news of the progress of your plans.

My only comment is that \$300 per month would be considered as the barest subsistence stipend for living in Madison. You would probably have to pay ~~at least~~ \$100 per month to rent anything more than a one-room apartment. It would be possible for you to support your family and yourself at this level, and many of our graduate students have to do this, but I would urge that you investigate any possibility of increasing your stipend to say \$400 a month, which would be quite modest for a post-doctoral fellow of your age and experience, or at least \$350. If this letter itself does not suffice, I will be quite happy to restate this opinion to the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft or any other agency.

I am also asking our Housing Bureau to communicate with you to see about making early arrangements.

Are you planning to apply for a Fulbright Travel Grant, or is travel included in the D. Fgt. application? If the former, we should be receiving the necessary documents in the near future. Perhaps you could persuade the D. Fgt. to increase your stipend if you can secure travel funds elsewhere.

Yours sincerely,

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Professor of Genetics